

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic apparatus comprising:

a housing having an outer wall;

5 a pointing device having a flat input surface and  
contained in the housing such that the input surface is  
placed on an inner surface of the outer wall of the  
housing; and

an operation-area indicating sheet removably  
provided on an outer surface of the outer wall of the  
10 housing at a position corresponding to at least part of  
the input surface of the pointing device.

2. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein

the outer surface of the outer wall has  
15 a sheet-containment depressed portion at a position  
corresponding to at least part of the input surface of  
the pointing device,

the sheet-containment depressed portion has a base  
and a peripheral surface rising from a perimeter of the  
20 base, and

the operation-area indicating sheet is removably  
stuck to the base of the sheet-containment depressed  
portion.

3. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,  
25 wherein an exposed surface of the operation-area  
indicating sheet is different in color from the outer  
surface of the outer wall.

4. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein an exposed surface of the operation-area  
indicating sheet is decorated with a pattern.

5. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,  
5 wherein

the outer surface of the outer wall has a palm  
rest, and

the operation-area indicating sheet is provided on  
the palm rest.

10 6. The electronic apparatus according to claim 2,  
wherein

the housing has an overhang edge portion at an  
opening end of the sheet-containment depressed portion,  
and

15 the overhang edge portion overhangs to cover at  
least part of a perimeter portion of the operation-area  
indicating sheet.

7. The electronic apparatus according to claim 2,  
wherein the outer surface of the outer wall has  
20 a finger recess, at a position corresponding to the  
sheet-containment depressed portion, for putting  
a finger on an edge of the operation-area indicating  
sheet when the operation-area indicating sheet is  
peeled off.

25 8. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6,  
wherein the housing has a frame that fits into the  
sheet-containment depressed portion along the

peripheral surface of the sheet-containment depressed portion, and

the overhang edge portion is provided to the frame.

5           9. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6, wherein

the base of the sheet-containment depressed portion has four corner portions, and

10           four overhang edge portions identical to the overhang edge portion are provided at positions corresponding to the four corner portions, respectively.

15           10. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the operation-area indicating sheet is flexible.

11. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the base of the sheet-containment depression portion has a side, and the finger recess is provided at a position corresponding to the side.

20           12. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the finger recess has a base situated at a lower level than an exposed surface of the operation-area indicating sheet.

25           13. The electronic apparatus according to claim 8, wherein

the base of the sheet-containment depressed portion has four corner portions, and

four overhang edge portions identical to the overhang edge portion are provided at positions corresponding to the four corner portions, respectively.

- 5        14. The electronic apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the finger recess has a base situated at a lower level than an exposed surface of the operation-area indicating sheet.